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A Page With Our Readers

'Twas a Big Birthday Month

The great success of our Birthday Month in November has been such as to lead us to make a resolution that it will be repeated next year. It gave us abundant proof that the stamp collector knows a bargain when it is offered to him and for any stamp dealer who wants to put new life into his business we could recommend nothing that would do it quicker than to carry out such a plan with relation to his own business. Every dealer has items which he can well afford to offer under special prices in order to clear up his stock and we feel certain that collectors would be found who would want the items regardless of what they might be, provided prices were attractive.

In planning our sale for last month we did it hurriedly, not realizing what a volume of business it would bring us and what a task we would have in making up the various items and filling orders.

Then on top of all this it so happened that we got to the point with production of the Famous American Envelopes that we had to mail out the first two sets for the Artists and Authors and the handling of almost 100,000 envelopes in small lots for this mailing was a job to swamp anyone.

Extra help was put to work, but only a limited amount of such help can be used as too much of the work involved requires the attention of someone who is familiar with what is being done and as a result our regular employees were handicapped by lack of time, since there is a limit to time that one can work help in these days and even then we did give them hours overtime each week.

Our first Birthday Bargain was the new Compact Cover Album which we have just put in the market. We ordered 500 of the binders for this album and paper and glassine and other material with which to make up the 500 albums, and this whole lot was sold out before the end of November. Even as this is being written on December 6, the orders still coming will have to be delayed in filling until a new order of binders reaches us from the bindery. Other items also

were bought heavily and the task of keeping the items in stock has been a difficult one. Many times in the past month we have taken an entire truckload of mail bags filled with parcels to the postoffice in a single day.

We naturally regret any delay that has occurred but know that we have done our best in our effort to get orders out and if your order was somewhat slow in reaching you we hope that you will forgive us for such delay and be assured of our great appreciation of the fine business you helped create for us during this big Birthday Month Sale.

We promise you a special event for our next birthday and doubtless shall find it desirable to adopt the special sale introductory plan for all new items which we may put on the market in the future.

Already several who bought the new Compact Album at the special price have reordered extra copies at the regular price, remarking that the album had solved their cover mounting problem at a price they could afford to pay.

To Buyers of Famous Americans Envelopes

Whether your order for the sets of Famous Americans Envelopes were sent to Linprint or to some other dealer, we feel that the collector should take certain facts into consideration as regards the delivery of these envelopes. It is a tremendous task to print up 35 different envelopes in a large quantity of sets when the envelopes are in two colors. It is still a big job to do them even if in only one color provided the set of envelopes you are buying are all different, that is a distinct envelope for each of the 35 stamps. In our plant we are making 35 different envelopes, one for each special stamp and each envelope is printed in two colors. This requires 350,000 envelopes to print the 10,000 sets which we have started to print. Each envelope must go through the press two times, making 700,000 hand fed impressions on the printing press. To produce good work with the colors properly

registered, we prefer to have these envelopes hand fed. To print them on automatic presses, too many of them are out of register. Thus to make the 700,000 impressions that we must make to produce the envelopes, requires about 50 working days of eight hours each and there are but five such days in the week. We could of course put them on more than one press, but we have other material to print also and can spare but one press for this work. We have however succeeded in getting the Artists and Authors sets completed and mailed out. The other five sets are being printed and will be sent out in plenty of time so that all will have them before the stamps are announced for issue.

It must be remembered that it was after November 1st, that the change was made from the 1½c to 10c stamp and the sequence of pictures determined so that we have had only a month to work on these thus far.

We believe that other dealers will find themselves crowded to handle these envelopes as they should be handled and that collectors will be obliged to be patient as doubtless all will find a way to fill their orders in time for you.

More About My New York Trip

It is my intention to go into detail about the work of the Philatelic Research Laboratory. It will require some time to prepare the copy for publication as I am studying many matters in connection with my visit there and hope to be able to show by illustration and explanation, just what the work of this Laboratory will mean to the future of stamp collecting and the results that it should bring to Philately from a business standpoint, in this country.

As a result of the Laboratory work, the New York Times published certain statements, and Harmer Rooke & Co., of London instituted a suit for \$25,000 damages. The matter has not yet come to trial. The facts as shown by Laboratory work will have a big bearing on this suit and collectors will be interested in knowing the facts.

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The Private Posts of Germany

By THEODORE H. FRETER, LL.B.

ONE of the most interesting and certainly most neglected sidelines of Philately is the collection and study of German local or private posts. Despite the fact that they disappeared from the active philatelic scene some forty years ago, they are still almost virgin territory for the student. Other than a short article in *The Philatelic Journal of India*, May 1900, one in the *Stamp Collector's Fortnightly* for May 5, 1910, and one on Alsatian Locals in the *Stamp Review* for October, 1938, there seems to have been little or no information printed in English con-

for years thereafter, especially for the distribution of printed and packaged matter.

A few words about the stamps themselves might prove of interest: In all, some 6359 varieties of adhesives were issued by 119 different cities or groups of cities, ranging from Duren, Eschweiler and Schwaan with one each to Falkenstein and Hamburg with over 600 each (counting reprints, etc.). Many cities had a number of different companies competing with and succeeding each other, many issued postal paper of all kinds; envelopes, letter sheets, cards and wrappers. The stamps themselves run almost the entire philatelic gamut—vertical and horizontal rectangles, squares, triangles and diamonds; surcharges and

overprints; paper, printing and shade varieties; special delivery, parcel post and printed matter; perforates and imperforates; pictorials and commemoratives; misprints and errors; reprints, forgeries, speculatives and pure fantasies.

In the case of some cities, in fact, so many of these malodorous issues do we find that we are inclined to confuse the city of Bochum with buncomb and Hamburg with humbug. Fortunately there exists and is easily obtainable a really excellent catalogue which lists about ninety-nine percent of all issues, and illustrates virtually all varieties including reprints and even the more common forgeries.

The stamps of the vast majority of these cities, however, are strictly Kosher.



cerning these interesting stamps. And this despite the fact that thousands of different varieties have actually done postal duty!

Prior to 1900, a loop-hole existed in the German postal laws which permitted private individuals, companies and municipal corporations to operate post offices in competition with the federal government, provided only that they confine their activities to the city in which located. In some cases, by what authority if any I can't make out, two, three and even four cities were included in a single unit, as, for example, Barmen-Elberfeld, Mulheim-Deutz-Köln, and Wangen-Niederstaufen-Hergatz-Bregenz.

These private enterprises had their own stamps, uniformed carriers, and distinctly painted mail-boxes. Some even had their own post offices and branches, though usually a single central office for sorting mail, booking, etc., sufficed, local tradesmen being agents for the sale of stamps.

Since their services were limited by law to the confines of the city, these companies were able to and did undercharge the federal government and still make a profit. Thus the Federal post was deprived of the most profitable part of the postal business. In 1900, therefore, the government passed a law correcting this defect in its previous postal laws, taking unto itself a postal monopoly and putting an end to the private posts in Germany, though some continued to operate

Famous American Authors

JAMES FENIMORE COOPER



Earliest best known American novelist who remains even today popular is James Fenimore Cooper. The Fenimore was added to his name in 1826 upon request of his grandmother and its hyphenated use with "Cooper" caused him to be charged with snobishness, etc. Cooper was born at Burlington, N. J., Sept. 15, 1789, eleventh of a family of 12 children. His father acquired a large estate at Otsego Lake in New York State and the family moved there, where the town of Cooperstown was laid out and a fine residence, Otsego Hall, constructed. As this was Frontier country Cooper as a boy became familiar with the Indians and frontier folk generally, and from this comes the accuracy of portraiture in his Leatherstocking Tales. Educated at the village school, also by a tutor, he entered Yale but was expelled for failure to attend his studies. He then decided upon a naval career, first serving as ordinary seaman, then as midshipman (1808). His marriage to the daughter of a Tory in 1811 and his resignation from the navy began a series of disputes with his countrymen that became chronic, noted for their bitterness and the fact that Cooper was vigorous in his rebuttal, pressing libel suits against noted men of his day, acting as his own attorney and frequently winning favorable verdicts. He never hesitated to criticize his countrymen though at the same time was proud of the republic though it labeled him an "aristocrat." His literary career began in 1820 when after reading an English novel, he said he could write a better one himself and proceeded to try to do so. Its plot was laid in British aristocracy and it was a failure. The Spy, two years later, made him famous and the Leatherstocking Tales which began in 1823 gave him undying fame. The Last of the Mohicans, his most popular work, was published in 1826. Later books included a History of the U. S. Navy, but in the main all were fiction dealing with the frontier and sea life with which he was familiar. His last Quixotic act was to order his family never to give any biographer access to his papers, an injunction still in force. Cooper died at Cooperstown, Sept. 14, 1851, acclaimed by such contemporaries as Balzac and Hugo.

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dar) Berlin, for example, issued no less than 236 varieties, practically all of which saw bona fide postal service, though I would not vouch for the remainders of the "Lloyd" and "Imp" issues of 1886.

In general, despite a relatively few issues here and there, they are as legitimate postage stamps as are the British Penny Blacks; some a great deal rarer. Most are much less expensive; all are highly interesting.

A Cooperative Offer to Linn's Readers

We have in our possession 400 superb post office condition entire envelopes. These are the 1c green on oriental buff, listed by Scott in the current catalogue as Number U422. In the 1939 catalogue the number was 2670. The envelopes are priced by Scott at 20c each.

These will have to be mailed in a Number 10 size envelope in order to send them out without folding and we want to offer these envelopes to our readers, at the same price they would pay for them at the postoffice, 2c each. However, you must pay the postage on them, 3c postage.

We will furnish a large envelope for mailing and address it to you without charge. Of course there is a joker in this offer, but it's an easy one for you to get around. All you need do to get one of these fine envelopes is to send us a new subscription at 25c and enclose 5c extra for the price of the envelope and postage on same. Naturally this offer will not be repeated and we have only about 400 of the envelopes.

San Francisco Exhibition

The second of the annual exhibitions of the California Collectors Club is scheduled for May 10-11-12, 1940 at the Olympic Hotel, 230 Eddy St., San Francisco, Calif. A cup will be awarded to the best exhibit by a member, also for the best by a non-member, in addition to numerous other awards. The philatelic label sheet already issued is in miniature sheet form with a block of four of the club emblems perforated, and is printed in blue on silver. May be obtained by sending ten cents and a stamped self-addressed envelope to the club at above address.

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THE STAMP HOUSE

35 Court St. Buffalo, N. Y.

A. P. S. At Buffalo In 1940

The Buffalo Stamp Club, hosts next August 12 to 16 to the A. P. S. Convention have announced formation of preliminary plans for the gathering. The convention sessions will be at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y. and the general chairman will be Daniel Cunningham, President of the Buffalo Stamp Club. His committee is composed of the Directors of that club assisted by two members each of the two other local A. P. S. chapters, the East Aurora Philatelic Society and the Kenmore Philatelic Society.

More Censor Markings

A cover from Gibraltar is submitted by J. M. Bianchi of Glens Falls, N. Y., which bears a Censor Label over one end: "Examined By Gibraltar Postal Censor." A cover from Fiji bears a label of usual size inscribed only "Opened by Censor," but on face of cover is a large two-line purple handstamp "Passed by Censor Fiji." There is no inscription on the dotted line except a large purple "F" which was apparently stamped separately.

Money Order Post Cards

Permits are now being issued by the postal authorities of the Netherlands Indies for the sending of small sums of money, not exceeding one florin, by post card. The sum to be remitted, plus 1 cent for the service and the normal $3\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ postal card postage is affixed to the address side of cards in ordinary postage stamps. When submitted to the post office by addressee he is paid the total indicated by the stamps less the above mentioned $4\frac{1}{2}$ ¢.

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230 1c Columbian	\$.55	\$.15	\$.01	643 2c Vermont	\$.32	\$.08	
231 2c Columbian	2.75	.20	.01	644 2c Burgoyne	.70	.17	
232 3c Columbian	3.90	.53	.42	645 2c Valley Forge	.27	.07	\$.03
233 4c Columbian		.85	.10	646 2c Molly Pitcher	.30	.08	
234 5c Columbian		.82	.15	647 2c Hawaii	.75	.17	
235 5c Columbian	5.00	.90		648 5c Hawaii	1.70	.40	
236 8c Columbian	6.00	.60	.19	649 2c Aero-Conf.	.30	.07	.04
237 10c Columbian		.90	.11	650 5c Aero-Conf.	1.00	.23	
238 10c Columbian	14.50	.88		651 2c Clark	.28	.06	.06
238 15c Columbian	26.00	2.60	.60	652 2c Edison, Flat	.24	.06	.05
239 30c Columbian		4.00	1.35	653 2c Edison, Rot.	.30	.08	.01
240 50c Columbian	42.50	4.80	1.75	654 2c Edison, Coll.	.28	.14	.02
Set 1c to 10c (8 val.)		4.80	3.65	658-68 1c-10c "Kansas"	22.00	5.40	
285 1c Trans-Miss.		.32	.11	669-79 1c-10c Nebraska	22.40	5.35	
286 2c Trans-Miss.		.25	.02	680 2c Fallen Timbers	.28	.07	.06
287 4c Trans-Miss.	18.50	1.55	.65	681 2c Ohio Canal	.18	.05	.04
288 5c Trans-Miss.		1.70	.75	682 2c Mass. Bay	.15	.04	.02
289 8c Trans-Miss.		1.35	1.05	683 2c Charleston	.32	.08	
290 10c Trans-Miss.		2.00	.45	689 2c Von Steuben	.24	.06	.04
291 50c Trans-Miss.			3.25	690 2c Pulaski	.18	.05	.02
Set 1c to 10c (6 val.)		7.50	2.90	703 2c Yorktown	.19	.04	.05
294 1c Pan American	1.45	.23	.06	704 1/2c Bicentennial	.06	.02	.01
295 2c Pan American	1.75	.25	.02	706 1c Bicentennial	.10	.03	.01
296 4c Pan American	11.00	1.20	.28	708 1 1/2c Bicentennial	.20	.05	.01
297 5c Pan American	11.00	1.15	.66	709 2c Bicentennial	.11	.03	.01
298 8c Pan American		2.10	1.50	709 4c Bicentennial	.23	.06	.01
299 10c Pan American		1.85	.66	710 5c Bicentennial	.36	.09	.01
Set 1c to 10c (6 val.)		6.60	2.95	711 6c Bicentennial	.60	.15	.01
323 1c La. Purchase		.38	.15	712 7c Bicentennial	.34	.09	.04
324 2c La. Purchase		.35	.04	713 8c Bicentennial	.42	.11	.03
325 3c La. Purchase		1.65	1.25	714 9c Bicentennial	.48	.12	.02
326 5c La. Purchase		2.30	.88	715 9c Bicentennial	.80	.20	.01
327 10c La. Purchase		4.75	1.05	716 10c Bicentennial	3.60	.90	.14
Set 1c to 10c (5 val.)		9.25	8.20	716 2c Placid	.11	.03	.02
328 1c Jamestown	1.95	.28	.12	717 2c Arbor Day	.11	.03	.01
329 2c Jamestown	2.00	.38	.05	718 3c Olympics	.32	.08	.01
330 5c Jamestown		2.20	1.00	719 5c Olympics	.32	.09	.03
Set 1c to 5c (3 val.)		2.62	1.10	724 3c Penn	.18	.05	.02
367 2c Lincoln	1.00	.17	.06	727 3c Newburgh	.18	.06	.02
368 2c Lincoln Impf.	7.50	1.75	1.45	728 1c Chicago	.07	.02	.01
369 2c Lincoln				729 1c Chicago	.17	.05	.01
Bluish Paper	36.00	8.00		730 1c Chicago Sheet	.48	.03	.02
370 Alaska Yukon		.50	.05	731 3c Chicago Sheet	.85	.05	.03
371 Alaska Yukon Impf.	7.75	1.75	1.35	733 3c Byrd	.28	.07	.05
372 Hudson Fulton	1.25	.18	.11	734 5c Kosciuszko	.30	.08	.03
373 Hudson Fulton Impf.	8.25	2.00	1.80	736 3c Maryland	.17	.05	.02
387 1c Pan-Pacific	1.60	.30	.03	737 3c M. D. Rot.	.14	.04	.01
388 2c Pan-Pacific	1.60	.30	.01	738 3c M. D. Flat.	.17	.05	.03
399 5c Pan-Pacific		2.10	.50	739 3c Wisconsin	.15	.05	.02
400a 10c (Orange)				C1 6c Orange-Air	2.80	.70	1.52
Pan-Pacific	30.00	6.10	.45	C2 16c Green-Air	12.75	2.90	1.05
400 10c (Or. Yel.)				C3 24c Car. & Blue-Air	7.25	1.70	1.25
Pan-Pacific	17.00	2.75	.42	C4 8c Green-Air	2.20	.48	.45
550 5c Pilgrim	6.75		.66	C5 16c Blue-Air	8.25	1.65	1.60
610 2c Harding-Pf. 11	.32	.08		C6 24c Carmine-Air	10.00	2.20	.75
611 2c Harding-Pf. 10	1.60	.35	.23	C7 10c Blue-Air	.90	.12	.05
612 1c Harding-Pf. 10	2.40	.68		C8 Brown-Air	.65	.15	.05
614 1c Wallon	.48	.10		C9 20c Green-Air	.46	.23	.05
615 2c Wallon	.82	.19		C10 10c Blue Lindbergh	.60	.15	.06
616 5c Wallon	6.00	1.30		C11 5c Car. & Blue-Air	.32	.08	.02
617 1c Lexington-Con.	.68	.17		C12 5c Violet-Air	.55	.11	.01
618 2c Lexington-Con.	1.25	.29		C13 65c Green-Zepp	25.00	5.95	
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623 5c Ericson	1.80	.35		CE-1 16c Blue Spec. Del.	.70	.18	.15
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Jan. 5—Hi-Hat Sale. Mint Sheet Brokerage Co., 415 Caxton Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

● The December issue of Marks Stamp Co.'s *Emco Monthly Circular* features a description of forgeries of Poland's 1921 Semi-Postals and offerings of many recent issues of interest due to the war.

- The coat of arms of the United States appears on the 50c and 3 pesos values of Paraguay's Chaco Peace set.

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● Manila, Philippines, used a slogan cancellation recently reading "BOY SCOUT ANNIVERSARY PERIOD — October 31-November 15."

• A copy of the Mulready envelope used on May 4th, 1840, two days before its issuance was authorized, sold at auction recently for approximately \$108.00.

Stamps, College and Depression

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But then something happened. His son said, "Father, haven't you been listening to the radio? Haven't you been reading the newspapers? There's a big depression on. The European situation is terrible. The domestic situation is worse. Everything's going to pot."

Whereupon the father thought, "Well, my son's been to college, he reads the papers and he listens to the radio, and he ought to know." So the father cut down on his advertising space, he quit stocking the new stamps as they came out, he closed out his line of albums and accessories and his sales fell off almost overnight.

"You're right, son," the father said to the boy, "We certainly are in the middle of a great depression."

Provisionals Limited

A clipping received by J. A. Sissons from the *St. John's Daily News* (Newfoundland) contains an official request to the public not to attempt to obtain more of the 2c and 4c provisionals than they need for immediate purposes. The Department of Posts and Telegraphs states therein that it will be obliged to limit sales to firms and individuals to their normal requirements "in order to conserve stocks." Quantities overprinted were not stated, but the supply of 5c Royal Visit is not believed to have been large. Though overprints for both denominations are supposed to be red, some copies are in an ink evidently containing a mixture of black—possibly from incomplete cleaning of rollers on the press from some previous printing job done in black ink.

• Now a year late, the Chilean Easter Island issue will probably be delayed again by a decree authorizing substitution of the Cruiser Angamos for the Sloop Abtao in the vignette.

Stamps In The News Pilsudski Sunk

In 1935 Poland issued its Tourist Propaganda Series picturing the scenic beauties of the country including one design which varied from the theme by showing the great liner "Pilsudski" which plied regularly between Gdynia and New



York. Many an American tourist has trod the decks of the vessel which struck a mine near England several weeks ago and sank with considerable loss of life. Left without a home port with the fall of the republic into alien hands in September, the ship had managed to escape and was incorporated in the British mercantile marine. Though it was flying the British flag at time of the disaster, the crew was mainly Polish. Though many ships of modern construction have fallen prey to the sea war, the Pilsudski is believed to be the only victim which has been depicted on a stamp.

• On one of Japan's numerous pictorial cancellations prepared this year, Italy's Benito Mussolini is shown alongside an outline map of Italy. The cancel was used on April 12.

• Some early Christmas Seals have become such good property that the forgers have turned out fakes of them.

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Cat. No.		Mint	Used
121-125	1922-1923 set	\$24	\$0.66
121-127	1922 complete		.20
135-138	new colors	.97	.12
141-145	Confederation set	.35	.14
146-148	Historical set	.51	.25
149-155	Bilingual set	.47	.20
156-159	Bilingual 2 cpl.	2.37	1.10
160-161	1928 coils	.20	.12
162-168	1930 pictorials	.44	.25
169-172	1930 pictorials	2.37	.50
188-189	1931 coils	.07	.03
190	10c Cartier	.13	.01
191	3c on 2c surcharge	.05	.02
192-194	Imperial Confer.	.40	.15
195-201	1932 new issue	.65	.14
202	5c Postal Union	.10	.04
203	20c Grain Confer.	.30	.15
204	5c Royal William	.10	.04
205-207	set 1933 coils	.09	.04
208	3c Cartier	.10	.04
209	10c Loyalist	.20	.09
210	2c Brunswick	.10	.08
211-216	Jubilee	.75	.40
217-223	1935 pictorials	.42	.14
224-227	1935 pictorials	2.15	.40
228-230	1935 coils	.10	.04
231-236	George VI	.30	.06
237	Coronation	.04	.01
238-240	1937 coils	.08	.04
241-245	1938 pictorials	2.25	.35
246-248	King & Queen Visit	.08	.04
C1	1928 air mail	.08	.06
C2	1930 air mail	.10	.11
C3	1932-6c on 5c	.10	.08
C4	Ottawa Confer.	.18	.14
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Green Accumulation Not To Be Sold At Present

Kent B. Stiles in the New York Times reports that Mrs. Matthew Astor Wilks has no intention for the present at least of selling the huge accumulation of stamps formed by the late Col. E. H. R. Green. There are many collections contained in the accumulation, including quantities of rare items. 42 of the 50 known sheets of the 5c 1916 error imperforate are among the sheets. Nearly half the known copies of the 1918 24c airmail inverted center are also among the U. S. items. The stamps have been appraised at more than \$1,200,000 and one offer by a dealer has been to guarantee \$1,000,000 as a minimum if sold; while other estimates of totals that might be realized by sale at auction range up to \$2,000,000. Some dealers have expressed fear that such a huge accumulation if sold at one time by auction would depress the stamp market, but others have indicated they feel quite the contrary. It is believed however that no sale will be held until the European situation clears up, as many prospective buyers are expected in European countries, and the war would prevent most from participating.

2,600th Birthday Issue

Japan announces, say the New York Times, that on Feb. 11, two stamps will be issued to commemorate the 2,600th anniversary of the "birth of Japan." Feb. 11, 660 B. C., was the date of accession of Japan's first ruler. The date is a public holiday in Japan.

• Its cover featuring one of John Coulthard's cartoons, the 15th edition of Elmer R. Long's 32-page Collector's Handbook is at hand. It's free of course upon request of Long at 203 Market St., Harrisburg, Pa. Seals are featured in the price list.

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The United States along with the other neutrals is experiencing the seizure of its mails by the belligerents. Mail in transit to Germany from the United States and being transported on neutral ships, is being seized by British patrol vessels when such ships are searched for contraband. So far these mails have been sent back to the United States and from here dispatched again in another attempt to circumvent the blockade. German mails have been routed through Italy, but ships are stopped at Gibraltar and searched.

• The Progressive Philatelic Society prepared a poster stamp for use on its stampic Christmas Gifts to shut-ins and will supply copies at 3 for 5c plus stamped envelope for return if you write Alice G. Westphal, 3008 N. Whipple St., Chicago, Ill. They can use donations of stamps too for the unfortunate.

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• The 7 kopec Russian stamp of 1879 watermarked hexagons is one of the rarest Russian stamps, only three copies, all used, existing. The paper watermarked hexagons was for revenue stamps only and used in this instance for a postage stamp by error.

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Editor's Notebook

FINIS It's an ill wind that blows no one good, and maybe (mind you it's just "maybe") philately might benefit from the Soviet invasion of Finland. For a good many years now we have been unwilling hosts to scores of stamps commemorating glories and achievements of the Soviet Union, with a generous sprinkling of stamps honoring the military forces. The Finnish invasion should write Fin-is to the U. S. S. R.'s gaudy but insincere output. Can even the wily Soviets after this latest of a long list of shameful acts, find anything concerning their nation of which they can be proud enough to commemorate postally? It should strain their chameleon political theories to the utmost to make them of further use in shaking down the "capitalistic" stamp collectors for the alien money which Lenin's heirs always welcome. We are certain of one thing and that is that though the Soviets blast the Finnish postal service into the company of Ethiopia, Austria, etc., their philatelic sales won't show an increase.

—R. R.

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Perts and Imperts

WE'VE SLIPPED SOMEWHAT IN keeping our visitors' register up to date and some of you visitors have escaped without being requisitioned for your autograph. However, recent visitors included James Waldo Fawcett (on his way back home from a trans-continental trip for the good of the hobby and which we wish he had more time to tell us about) of Washington, D. C., Howard and Gertrude Stuart of Gowanda, N. Y., and F. A. Hoffman of Canton, O.

IT IS STATED THAT THE REASON the 10c stamp was selected for the Famous Americans series was that this denomination is used four times as often as the 4c. We hope for the future of our pocket book that there is no sudden increase in use of the \$1 stamp, for the application of such "reasoning" in future can prove dangerously expensive to we collectors.

Famous Americans To Be In Sheets of 70

The plates for the Authors group of the Famous Americans issue were completed in November. They are 280 subject rotary press Electric Eye divided into four panes of 70. Denominations are unchanged: 1c-2c-3c-5c-10c. Stamps expected to be issued latter part of January and announcement expected in a few days.

WOMEN'S HATS HAVE BEEN ON the receiving end of many a wise-crack, but the new Swiss Pro Juventute series is a telling rebuttal. Included in the series of portraits of women with various Swiss regional headgear, is a likeness of one General Herzog who sports a plumed affair of the sort that few men (even on a postage stamp) can wear well, and Hans is not among the select few. We suspect a woman had a hand in selecting those designs.

WE HAVE A SNEAKING SUSPICION that one of these days we'll see a sudden reversing of the trend to sell at any price for use as postage of the immense holdings of recent commemoratives. It can't last and we'll wager there'll be a lot of groaning in the not very distant future. (There he goes, betting his shirt again—he'll lose it some day, too.)

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Dr. Walter Reed will appear on a new United States stamp about the same time. Dr. Reed lost his life proving



that yellow fever is transmitted by the mosquito. These two men justly deserve the honor bestowed upon their memory by the Government of the United States.

It is interesting to note that to date the only other doctor thus honored by our country was Dr. Manasseh Cutler (Northwest Territory stamp), whose picture adorns a stamp, not because he was a doctor, but because he was instrumental in organizing the Northwest Territory.

Being a stamp collector, and a physician and surgeon, it is natural that I should become interested in a Medical Stamp Collection. To date my collection boasts over 150 stamps, representing fifty-odd countries, and appearing on these, in addition to doctors' likenesses, are pictures of hospitals, and scenes depicting some phase of the medical or nursing profession.

The oldest stamp in my Medical Stamp Collection is of the 1903-1904 series Antiquotia (No. 155-156). The earliest person whose likeness appears on a postage stamp is Imhotep, a physician who lived about 3000 B. C. He was honored by Egypt in the series of 1928 for the Medical Congress (No. 144).

—Dwight B. Shaw, M. D., F. A. C. S.

"Still Dead"

The *Australian Stamp Monthly* relates the use of a postal marking with more than a little humor to it. In 1935 an Australian dealer sent a letter to an old customer at Chinchilla, Queensland; who had, unknown to the dealer, died since their last business. The letter was returned to the office of origin (Brisbane) marked "Deceased" and bearing the Chinchilla postmark of date of return. The Brisbane office for some reason known only to those clerks, sent the letter back again to Chinchilla, where the clerks again postmarked it and returned it with the additional endorsement of "Still Dead."

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Beaver Falls, Pa.—Annual exhibition of the Beaver County Philatelic Society and annual meeting of the Visiting Firemen of Philately, both at General Broadhead Hotel April 20-21.

Canton, O.—Annual of the McKinley Stamp Club at Hotel Belden, Feb. 10-11.

Cleveland, O.—Golden Jubilee of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, at Hotel Hollenden, March 29-31.

Columbus, O.—Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Columbus Philatelic Club, Chittenden Hotel, Jan. 20-21.

Los Angeles, Calif.—Annual Southern California Conclave, and New Year's Party, Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx, Olympic Stadium Bldg., Dec. 27.

San Francisco, Calif.—Annual exhibition of the California Collectors Club, at Olympic Hotel, May 10-11-12, 1940.

• The December *KenMore Kollektor*, 24 pages strong, printed in holiday colors is at hand, featuring on its front page a reprint of the famous reply of the New York Sun to a child's query if there was a Santa Claus. The Story of the Empire by Allison is continued and the story of the Cape Triangles is told by Ruth; and of course pages of Christmas offers in British Colonials. Copies free upon request of the firm.

• Post offices to be discontinued Dec. 30 include Stoneman Lake, Ariz., Hickory Flat, Ky., Barnitz, Pa., Amy, Ark. and Barbours Creek, Va.

• **NATURAL TUNNEL** will be a new postoffice name for Virginia effective Jan. 1. The office is at present titled **GLENITA**.

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HOLPEX Exhibition

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(EDITOR'S NOTE — Publicity directors please note that FULL details should be sent when sending releases as above and the names of the responsible persons and clubs should always be stated.)

• Typing inscriptions on black album pages has become possible with introduction of white-inked ribbons for typewriters.

R. P. O. NOTES

It's been quite a while since we've printed some RPO Notes, but few items have been reported.

In the Bulletin of the Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh we note the dates of inauguration and discontinuance of that city's Street Car R. P. O. They are Feb. 14, 1898 and Oct. 31, 1916.

William H. Clark in "Railroad and Rivers — The Story of Inland Transportation" states that the first mail trains in the U. S. were those of the South Carolina and Railroad Co. which commenced service on its 137-mile line on October 1, 1833. Mails were carried on the road, which in addition to using steam locomotives experimented with other types of power, including sails.

Occasionally the "killer" portion of the RPO cancel will be found inverted, while the rest of the cancel is rightside up. Generally this is due to both being applied separately which is easily done when the clerk holds the cancelling device at an angle, as their orders are to not put the dated portion upon stamps and consequently when cancelling blocks they resort to holding the device at an angle so that only the desired portion prints. The cancel on one run of the Cleveland & Columbus RPO (Trains 604-605) however has the RMS killer not only inverted but at an approximately 30-degree angle and measurement of several impressions indicate the killer is set at that angle in the cancelling device itself. Just little things to watch for.

Orders dated August 17 and Nov. 27 carried notice of the following R. P. O. changes. The following offices have been discontinued either by abandonment of service entirely or partially over that route or by change of name:

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Roosevelt Not Shown on New Paraguay Stamp

At request of Pres. Roosevelt, the 50 peso Paraguayan Chaco Peace stamp just released does not have the portrait of President F. D. Roosevelt included in the design. The other values of the series portray the flags and presidents of other countries joining in the Chaco peace movement which was finally successful. An eagle, however, is in the portrait space on the stamp honoring the U. S., which was originally intended to show F. D. R. The flag of the United States is shown in its proper colors, along with that of Paraguay.

• Canada has established a "Base Post Office" through which all mail for its soldiers overseas is addressed. Location of office is not stated in official circular.

• Two one-time tourists in the U. S. are pictured on Slovakia's latest. Rev. Josef Murgas toured America in 1917-18 for the Czecho-Slovak cause and Dr. Tiso toured this country in 1927, says the *New York Times*.

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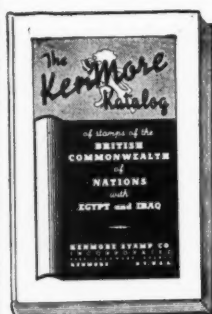
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CUBA—Postal Tax Stamp. Small, upright rectangular format, on paper watermarked Star multiple, perf. 10. Under-noted stamp is compulsory on all mail from December 1, 1939, and up to and including January 31, 1940. Through the courtesy of Mr. Rafael R. Garcia, we are able to illustrate the stamp and thus save a lengthy description. Also through the courtesy of the Philatelic Society of Havana, we have received a copy of the Official Notice calling the attention of the general public to the compulsory use of these stamps. To quote a part of the notice: "All kinds of mail matter be it National or Foreign, as well as all cablegrams, telegrams, radiotelegrams forwarded and bills for long distance telephone calls made through the Government Offices or through private companies who render public service, will have to bear, for each unit of same, a one cent stamp," etc.

1c. carmine (Baby held aloft by Red Cross Nurse)

DENMARK—Semi-Postal Red Cross Stamp. Issued November 11th. Engraved by Johannes Britze, engraver of the Thorvaldsen stamps. Size of the stamps same as the Thorvaldsen issue, upright rectangular format, engraved, unwatermarked, perf. 13. Through the courtesy of Carl L. Bryan we have received a First Day Cover, bearing the only likely cachet applied to these First Day Covers. The design of the cachet is a circle, around the inside of which is the wording "FORSTE DAGS KUVERT," with a Red Cross in the center. Mr. Bryan tells us that the cachet is a linoleum cut applied locally. Each value was issued in sheets of 50. At the bottom in the center is a red cross in a white circle. Color of the rest of the stamp is as noted below:

10 ore plus 5 ore, purple (Queen Alexandrine)
15 ore plus 5 ore, deep carmine (same)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—Air Mail. Triangular design, 45x42x42mm., perf. 11½, unwmkd., photogravure:

10c. green

(R. Roberts)

EGYPT—New High Value. Three-quarters length portrait of King Farouk, in frame (green). Size 25½x42mm. Photogravure, sheets of 50, perf. 13½x13½, wmkd. mult. Crown and Arabic F:

50P. sepia & green

(R. Roberts)

GERMANY—Semi-Postal Stamp. The missing value in the set noted by us December 9th, has now appeared. Engraved, same format, perforation and unwatermarked as previous values:

25pf. plus 15pf. deep ultramarine

Newspaper Stamps. Same size as the semi-postal noted above, wmkd. mult. swastika, perf. 14x13½:

5pf. deep green (Mail carrier stepping over the Globe)

10pf. reddish brown (same)

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HUNGARY—Souvenir Sheet. In our notes of December 2nd, we chronicled the perforated sheet, but overlooked mentioning the same sheet imperforate. The size and design are exactly the same as the one previously noted, but unlike similar such issues, the colors on the imperforate differ from those on the perforated sheet. The imperforate has the scroll design in a very light blue and the stamp is printed in red-brown. On the perforated sheet the stamp is a red violet and the background a light gray. Through the courtesy of Mark Revez, we have received copies of both sheets. The stamp design on both sheets is the same as the 32f. of the semi-postal set noted by us October 28th.

JAPAN—Commemoratives. In honor of the 75th Anniversary of Japan's joining the International Red Cross Society. Printed by photogravure on unwatermarked paper, perf. 12½. Upright rectangular format. The cross in red appears on each stamp, other color of the stamp is as noted below. On the 4s. and 20s. values is the portrait of Mr. Tsunetami Sano, who founded the Japanese Red Cross Society and who rendered great service during the Sino-Japanese War. He died December 5, 1902, age 76. The other two values show a map of Japan and the rising sun. On the First Day Cover received by us, through the courtesy of Mr. Karl Lewis, is the special postmark showing a globe and the cross. The translation of the Japanese wording in the cancellation is "Commemorating the Japanese agreement with the International Red Cross Society 75 years ago":

2s. sepia (Globe)

4s. green (Mr. Sano)

10s. carmine (same as 2s.)

20s. deep ultramarine (same as 4s.)

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DOUBLE TYPES.

When you find two types on one stamp you can be sure that you have found something a little bit in the unusual category. I came across such an item recently and the very markings on the stamp tell the why and wherefor. The stamp was a 2c '27 from Philadelphia with the common rubber handstamp similar to the illustrated Type 25 in the catalog and also with what is possibly Type 40, the integral handstamp of Philadelphia with Penna. spelled out in full over Type 40. The date is July 38. This can mean nothing else but that these stamps were precancelled in advance and when the DATED ruling came along they simply went over these stamps with the INTEGRAL to get the date on them, making as unusual a piece as you would want to see.

HANDSTAMP TYPES.

In checking over the above stamp in the catalog I got a high powered headache if that is possible for a precancel collector to get, in trying to distinguish the different handstamp types of Philadelphia. I wondered then how many other general collectors get in the same fix trying to straighten these out. I am firmly convinced that although there have been claims that these and the handstamp types from other big cities (and I am referring to the mail order rubber handstamps that are alike except for minor differences) have been thoroughly gone over and properly listed, are not, and this is no reflection on those worthies who gave endless hours in this endeavor. It is my belief that one handstamp in the course of its natural life has been listed at least two and maybe more times. When new it would make one kind of an impression and as age came upon it the bars would widen, the letters get thicker and the town and state name perhaps an mm longer, etc., till discarded. Chicago, Brooklyn, Canton and Portland, Ore., are other places that come to mind that are in this class. So I say that this type of handstamp should be listed in as few types as pos-

sible so as not to be confusing to the general collector and as for the specialist each one interprets the catalog differently and to his liking anyway so it ought not to bother him. This would help reduce the bulk of the catalog considerably.

NOTES.

There are plans under way to have a mild (Editor's Note—Does he mean "mild" or is this an error for "wild"?) precancel roundup in connection with the annual exhibition and party the Columbus Philatelic Club is putting on in January. More details later . . . Some Presidentials, 1c and 3c Galesburg, Mich., in an integral handstamp similar to U-53 . . . 10c Lincoln, Nebr., in the regular printed type . . . 5c Gloucester, Mass., in U-8 . . . 1c Anaconda, Mont., U-48 . . . 10c Springfield, Mass., U-121 . . . 1½c Kalispell, Mont., U-86 . . . Here is a nice double not a president. The 30c '27 from Holyoke, Mass., U-1 double up.

Portuguese Sheet Imprints

Years ago Portugal adopted a method somewhat similar to that of the first Bureau issues of the U. S. for keeping a record on plates and sheets of the persons handling the plates, etc. Portugal has never had much of a reputation for being too fussy about errors, but nevertheless the authorities adopted the practice of printing the name of the printer of each sheet on the sheet margins. Thus will be found imprints such as "Cliches—Adelino," meaning that Adelino, some employee, had charge at the time that sheet came off the press. Likewise when stamps were overprinted, another imprint was added which instead of the word "Cliches" would read "Sobrecarga." Whether this cut down the number of errors and other mishaps is not reported. These are found on fairly recent issues and possibly are still to be found.

• Cuban collectors issued a souvenir label sheet in connection with the first Cuban philatelic exhibition which opened Nov. 7. It sold for 20 centavos by the Secretary, Richard Milian, Obispo Num. 65, Dpto. 4, Havana.

• The irregular air mail service between Juneau, Alaska and Tulsequah, B. C., is referred to by the Canadian postal service as "an Air Stage Service." It carries mail at lower than usual air mail charges.

• Of three shipments of North Borneo's 1918 Red Cross stamps sent that colony, two were sent to the bottom of the ocean as a result of the sea war in progress 21 years ago.

• The Military Stamps of France are issued free to all except commissioned officers in the French forces, in times of peace or war, the men being permitted to use two per month, but the stamps are good only for letters weighing not more than 20 grams, any overweight being paid for with regular stamps.

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Two new Philippine sets and one Newfoundland set has appeared and disappeared from the New York market. Dealers here in New York were depending largely on the Philippine Trade Commission in Washington, D. C., as their source of supply, but somehow the supply the Commission received was rather small and was reported sold out within the first three hours. Dealers here who had orders on application merely received their money back. From sources who seem to be in "the know," indications are that this set is subject to heavy speculation in Manila, as no supplies have been forthcoming.

The Newfoundland set which has just arrived is also proving a headache to New York dealers. Reports received state the Newfoundland post office overprinted only enough stamps to cover their Christmas rush, and were limiting the sales to customers. Dealers feel they are lucky to have a few sets in stock.

For the past few weeks, packets have come into the limelight in New York. There is considerable speculation and at the present time they are one of the fastest moving items among dealers. The cause for speculation can easily be traced to the present war situation in Europe. Being that cheap labor was to be had in many foreign countries, pack-

ets were received here in the United States at very reasonable prices. But since the war broke out, the shipment of these packets has come to a halt.

Motion Picture Released

The Paramount Corp. is releasing to theaters the one-reel picture "Public Hobby No. 1" which it recently purchased. The picture will be added to the attractions at many theatres if local stamp collectors will request that it be shown. The picture deals with stamp collecting, showing how stamps are made, and featuring shots of various dealers and collectors whose names are familiar.

Club Sponsors Contest

The Bronx County Stamp Club is sponsoring a questions and answer contest, free to anyone. The list of ten questions can be obtained from Raymond Marti, 3060 Decatur Ave., New York City. Prizes will include albums, catalogues, Coronations, etc. Contest closes Feb. 14.

Spanish Composite Issue

On October 15 the Souvenir Issue states the Spanish government issued a souvenir sheet of five stamps ornamented with coat of arms of the Nationalist regime, date "12 October" and inscription "Year of Victory." Each stamp depicts a famous painting in the Prado museum and the work of Velasquez. These stamps were engraved during the last period of the Republican regime and the plate was found among the archives of the government, inscriptions added or changed as necessary and issued by the Franco government. The stamps' inscriptions indicate they were intended for benefit of orphans. Sheets were issued both perforated and imperforate, and sold at 20 pesetas each. The composite souvenir sheet, the product of two warring governments is one of the most attractive sheets from Spain.

• R. W. Harris of Brooklyn, whose ads feature U. S. offers, has issued a small folder on possible effects of the war and giving the reason why he thinks U. S. issues 1847 to 1917 will have an increased demand. A copy of this interesting folder may no doubt be obtained of him upon request.

• More new naval post offices ordered established include U. S. S. Pyro and Bear.

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The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business Angle by the Managing Editor.
GEORGE W. LINN

NEW PRICE LISTS

Peruvian and other South American pictorials used are featured in Wholesale Bargain List 39-3 just issued by J. N. Anzel, 323 Berry St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The list also includes much European material. Copy free of course to any dealer on request of Anzel.

From Otto W. Lampe comes a catalog of the cuts he keeps in stock for the stamp trade. Otto has been in the business for a number of years and probably has supplied more cuts for philatelic illustrations than any other engraving firm. Dealers can obtain a copy by writing him at New York City.

Part 7 of Grossman's Wholesale Catalog No. 87 is at hand with listings of recent commemoratives up to and including Brazil's Worlds Fair, also some Christmas specials. As usual, it's free to dealers, by writing them at 102 W. 42nd St., New York City.

NEW SCOTT ALBUMS

Scott Publications Inc. planned to have ready for distribution in January a new edition of the National Album which provides spaces for all U. S. stamps listed in the 1940 Standard Catalogue. Loose leaf sections of the same album are also planned and these will include various combinations and some groups not in the bound edition, these being the additional

U. S. stamps listed in the U. S. Specialized Catalogue, which are not found in the general catalog. These sections will sell for 25c each and up. A special low price on the old edition of the National Album is being featured as a means to clear off the remainder of that edition. The firm will have ready early in the year, additions for its other albums, to be announced in detail at that time.

ILLUSTRATED NEW ISSUE PAGES

Among new offerings this year in albums are the loose leaf pages for new issues, issued promptly after a new set appears, produced by the Maco Philatelic Corp. The spaces are illustrated and are titled with neatly ruled boxes and are for use in standard three-ring binders. They are very attractive pages and have proven popular with the new issue trade, dealers state.

60 YEARS ACCUMULATION

Once referred to as the largest accumulation of U. S. stamps ever seen, the collection of Nathaniel B. Brophy of St. Petersburg, Fla., is being disposed of by Gimbel's Stamp Dept. The collection got its start when the father of Mr. Brophy laid aside blocks and singles for his son during his postmastership in post-Civil War days. The son has actively collected stamps 60 years.

This World of Ours

The other day an aged woman walked into the office of one of our charities. She was clutching a handful of bills, and offered them as a contribution.

They were Confederate bills. Worthless. But no one had the heart to tell her that. She'd had them since the Civil War. Hoarded. She thought they were good. So they thanked her . . . and she left, happy.

On the same day there was an auction sale in New York. It was the sale of a collection of Confederate postage stamps, built by the late Stephen D. Brown, of Glens Falls, N. Y. The sale, conducted over here by a London firm, included many postal rarities . . . but all issued by the some Government that issued the woman's money.

The postage stamps sold for the tidy sum of \$14,218—and one stamp alone brought more than \$3,000.

Why were the stamps worth such sums? When the Confederate money was worth nothing?

For one reason: The stamps were rare, the money common.

There's something of a lesson in that. Including the fact that the world is not always as strange and contradictory as it seems.—*Buffalo Evening News.*

• Jugo-Slavia is still issuing stamps to raise funds for its veterans of the first World War.

P. S. S. Convention Largest

The Precancel Bee prints a tally of registration figures of the various 1939 national stamp conventions:

Precancel Stamp Society 232
American Philatelic Society 222
Society of Philatelic Americans 176
American Air Mail Society (est.) 125

The P. S. S. has thus for the first time exceeded all the others in attendance. In 1936 it had the second largest and in other years fell not far behind. Next year's attendance is causing much speculation among the membership, as the convention will be in Houston, Texas, first time it has been so distant from the larger centers of precancel activities.

• More navy postoffices ordered established or re-established this month include: U. S. S. Williams, Sands and Buchanan.

• The Hamilton Park Stamp Club of Chicago meets every Wednesday at 8 P.M. at the Hamilton Park Field House, 72nd and Normal Sts.

• The Beverly Hills Philatelic Society recently elected Walter Rozmin, President and Peter Kreischer, Secy., (42 W. 110 Place, Chicago). The club meets at 10410 S. Maplewood Ave., Chicago, on first and third Friday evenings of each month and visiting collectors are welcomed.

Say Linn's to Advertisers

NOTES ON U. S. ISSUES

The choice of Camden, N. J., as place of first day sale of the Walt Whitman stamp has drawn the fire of Jesse Merritt, historian of Nassau County on Long Island, N. Y. The *Nassau Daily Review-Star* in a front page article quotes Merritt as saying that Camden was only a temporary home for the poet, and that not only had Whitman been born on Long Island but worked and lived there many years, completing most of his literary output while living there. Thanks to Harry H. Schneider of the Rockville Centre Stamp Club for clipping.

Only one plate was made for each of the recent Canal Zone commemoratives, except the 3c, of which two plates were made. All are numbered in the 140,000s.

A bisect of the 2c 1903 Shield design was shown us recently. The stamp had been cut diagonally from top left to lower right corners and this was the right half of the stamp, tied by cancellation of Clearwater, N. Y., July 19, 1907. The card was a picture post card, evidently sent by some vacationing per-

son to a Utica, N. Y. address. No postage due had been collected.

A very unusual Civil War Revenue is illustrated in the December *American Philatelist*. A 25c Certificate with design of the 25c Power of Attorney printed on the back, upside down. The variety was reported by L. G. Brookman who describes the design on back as probably from a "dry plate printing" i.e. an impression from a plate not fully inked. It is probable that the sheet had been laid aside from the printing of the Power of Attorney and then run through in error, when the Certificates were printed, the operator probably not noticing the faint impression on one side of the sheet.

Blank checks, particularly old ones would by most folk be thought of no value, but the Tatham Stamp Co. recently unearthed some of unusual philatelic interest. These were in an unused check book of the Northampton National Bank and bore the impressed revenue stamp as illustrated in Scott's Specialized.

A first day cover of the entire Pan-American series brought \$52.50 at Eugene Klein's auction sale at the A. P. S. Convention. It was postmarked at Washington, May 1, 1901.

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Complete List of Famous Americans Stamps in Announced Order of Issue

	ARTISTS	AUTHORS	COMPOSERS	EDUCATORS	INVENTORS	POETS	SCIENTISTS
1c	Stuart	Irving	Foster	Mann	Whitney	Longfellow	Audubon
2c	Whistler	Cooper	Souza	Hopkins	Morse	Whittier	Long
3c	St. Gaudens	Emerson	Herbert	Eliot	McCormick	Lowell	Burbank
5c	French	Alcott	MacDowell	Willard	Howe	Whitman	Reed
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